COMBINED DECLARATION FOR PARENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
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Attorney's Docket No.

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:
My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **METHOD FOR PREPARING OPTICAL FIBERS FOR CONNECTION TO OTHER FIBERS OR TO PLANAR WAVEGUIDES AND DEVICE FOR SUCH CONNECTION**

the specification of which (check only one item below):

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.
I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).
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COUNTRY *(if PCT, indicate PCT)*	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING *(day, month, year)*	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC 119
Canada	**2,325,424**	**07/11/2000**	[X] **YES** [] **NO**
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